

**SECRET**

DADONE, Ugo

DOWNGRADE TO SECRET

JK 78

"DESDEMONA"

DATE

26 March 1947

39864 ROME 171)  
"LACERATOR"

Plan BAZAR.

JRX 4488 See this for an extensive biography of  
31 Aug 46 this well-known Italian journalist. In the Plan  
CONTROL BAZAR case-file, vol. I.  
ccd

PIRA101 Agent left for Ankara by Swedish plane from  
7 Feb 47 Rome on 26 Nov 46. This reports describes fully  
TOPSEO- the activation of the Plan, giving the letter-  
CONTROL drops (4) arranged for JK78, and the financial ar-  
ccd rangements between the Agent and ESD, Rome.

ROME #775 Agent returned to Rome on 14 Feb 47 after  
IN-49250 an 80-day mission that encountered no un-  
27 Feb 47 usual difficulties and, from 27 Nov-13 Feb,  
ccd took him to Ankara, Aleppo, Damascus, Bei-  
rut, and Istanbul. He is now being debrief-  
ed, and a 70-page report is expected.

PIRA-452 This report is comprised of five photostat  
5 April 47 copies of JK78's Turkish journalist-identifi-  
CONTROL cation card (one of which was used to clip  
ccd out the snapshot below), plus a batch of over  
materials -- such as press releases, radio-  
broadcast monitorings, etc. -- which source gleaned during  
his recent jaunt into the Near East.

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PIRA-472 This is the financial statement of his  
9 April 47 trip to the Near East. Source spent a  
CONTROL total of \$1376.90, so that his average  
ccd daily expenditure becomes \$17.41, which  
compares favorably with ESD, Istanbul's,  
suggested daily minimum for the mission of \$20. It  
is to be noted that these were entirely operational  
expenses and that JK78 has been given nothing as a  
stipend or salary.

PIRA-1059 DESDEMONA submits untranslated extract  
23 July 47 of diary of MILINI, formerly in the Min-  
CONTROL istry of Foreign Affairs, who executed the  
tam flight of the GRAND MUFTI from Teheran to  
Rome in 1941. The MUFTI is deeply grateful to MILINI,  
but MILINI was completely won over by the MUFTI's  
personality. His pro-MUFTI attitude is a limitation  
on his potentialities as an intelligence instrument  
where a line of conduct contrary to the MUFTI's  
interest would be required.

PIRA 1316 DESDEMONA reports on the visit of the  
27 Aug. 1947 Palestine Arab Delegation to Rome, of  
lvs their audience with the Pope and their  
intention of setting up an Arab propagand  
office in Rome.

139 Assignment of new, dual cryptonyms.  
20 June 47  
ccd

PIRA-2640 Payments to subj. for period 1 Jan - 30 June 48.  
OSOTS-972 Salary: \$261.32; Op. Exp.: \$261.32; Total: \$522.64.  
15 May 48  
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